Abstract

A tripod bearing assembly is provided including a spider assembly with a trunnion. A bearing assembly is press fit onto the trunnion. The bearing assembly has an inner race, an outer race and a plurality of needle rollers to permit relative rotation between the inner and outer races.

The bearing assembly is axially retained to the spider.

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